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Mike Eickman drops to a knee to block a shot during the third period of Saturday's game against Western Michigan.

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35 vendors to participate in UNO Health Fair 2004 Thursday

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UNO students, faculty and staff are invited to the fifth annual UNO Health Fair 2004, to be held Thursday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Milo Bail Student Center's Nebraska Room.

Thirty-five vendors such as ConAgra, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Weight Watchers, Vitamin World, Wild Oats and more will be present at the fair.

Door prizes to the Joslyn Art Museum, Henry Doorly Zoo, the Western Heritage Museum, heart rate monitors, jackets, towels, T-shirts, sweatshirts, jump ropes and more will be available.

The fair will also feature free health screenings such as blood pressure checks, body composition tests, vision and hearing tests, rapid HIV testing and a screen to determine if one is consuming enough fruits and vegetables.

Comprehensive blood draws will be for \$22. The blood draw includes a cholesterol

panel, blood sugar or diabetes screen, thyroid, kidney and liver function. The draws will be available from 6:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. the day of the fair. A prostate cancer screen for men is also being offered for an additional \$12. A 12-hour fast is required for all blood work.

Those who are interested can pre-register for the blood draws until Wednesday at Student Health Services.

Another perk for those who choose to attend the fair is the chance to sample Healthy Choice ice cream bars and receive free chair massages.

"It's good for (students) to go because they'll learn a lot about screenings that they need to start doing," said Amber Nielsen, graduate assistant for Fitness and Wellness.

She added that those who attend can also get information about their cholesterol, their blood, bones, information about healthy eating and more.

The organizers of the event are the Wellness Stampede and Student Health Services. For more information on the UNO Health Fair 2004, contact SHS at 554-2374.

UNO may face total ban of tobacco product use on campus

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As public health concerns surrounding secondhand smoke exposure continue to restrict smoking in a public environment, UNO is considering a total ban on the use of tobacco products on campus.

Current guidelines prohibit smoking inside any building on campus or within ten feet of all building entrances and do not place any restrictions on the use of smokeless tobacco. The new proposal, drafted by Dr. Andris Skreija, associate professor of Sociology, would eliminate the use of all tobacco products from cigarettes to chewing tobacco on all areas of the UNO campus, both inside and outside of campus buildings.

"The proposal is currently being reviewed by the faculty senate [Senate of Welfare and Personnel] who will discuss the drafted resolution and make any changes that they see necessary," said Skreija. "After the proposal is reviewed by the Senate of Welfare and Personnel, they decide whether or not to send it to the full senate, who will then vote on the resolution. If the resolution passes by a majority vote, then it is handed down to the chancellor, who makes the final decision on whether or not the proposal will be enacted."

During each of the political processes that are followed when a new rule is brought to the senate, the proposed resolution can be changed or reworded at any time to add clauses and limitations.

Although the current legislation calls for an absolute ban on tobacco, this can be changed to allow smoking in designated areas and/or to eliminate the use of chewing tobacco in classrooms.

"It is highly unlikely that this proposal will go through without any modifications, but nobody knows what these modifications will be until the drafted resolution is completed," said Skreija.

Skreija said that he brought the idea to the Senate of Welfare and Personnel out of health concerns surrounding tobacco smoke and allergies to the smoke.

"The ten foot rule is not being enforced," said Skreija, "and especially in inclement weather, smoke is getting into the buildings."

According to Paul Kosel, manager of UNO Campus Security, UNO security officers have no role in enforcing the current ten-foot rule. "The rule was implemented because it became part of the Nebraska Clean Indoor Air Act, but nowhere in the act is there any specifications for enforcement. A police officer would have trouble enforcing this statute because of the way it is written. The law seems to have been meant as a 'common sense law' with hopes that people will comply without the need for actual enforcement or consequences," Kosel said.

"If someone were to come to one of the officers and complain about someone smoking too close to one of the building entrances, then we might ask that person to move but that would be the extent of our ability to enforce the

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Celebrate Omega (Que)Week at UNO through Friday

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UNO students are invited to participate in Omega (Que) Week, a week intended to raise students' awareness on issues such as HIV/AIDS, the importance of voting, to praise the efforts of the community and to provide clothing for the disadvantaged.

The Beta Upsilon Chapter of Omega Psi Phi, a historically black Greek fraternity, and Planned Parenthood is sponsoring the week.

The purpose of the week is "to raise awareness on certain issues that we have

as far as STDs, via HIV and AIDS," said James Mason, vice president of the UNO chapter of Omega Psi Phi. "(The other purpose is) also to raise the awareness of the importance of voting, to also stress the importance of unity in the community and also to help the disadvantaged with the clothing drive."

The major focus of the week is the clothing drive, which goes through Friday.

Mason said there is no intended goal of clothing to collect for clothing drive, but "it would just be nice to be able to do something for people (who) don't have the assets to do for themselves. There's

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Department of Mathematics to host lecture by Max Kurz Thursday

The UNO Department of Mathematics will host a lecture by Max Kurz on Thursday at UNO.

Kurz – an instructor in the UNO School of Health, Physical Education and Recreation – will present “Chaos in Human Locomotion: Biological and Biomedical Applications” in Durham Science Center, room 110 from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m.

For more information, contact Dora Matache at 554-3295 or dmatache@mail.unomaha.edu.

UNO to host Batchelder Biblical Archaeology Conference Thursday-Saturday

The Bethsaida Excavations Project at UNO will convene its sixth annual Batchelder Biblical Archaeology Conference this Thursday through Saturday. This event, which will be held at the W.H. Thompson Alumni Center, will continue UNO's long tradition of promoting biblical archaeology and sharing it with academic and general audiences.

The focus of this year's conference is “Archaeological Jesus.” Spotlight topics such as the “The Roman Temple Set” and “Galilee in the First Century” will be covered during the two-day agenda. Faculty from all over the world will share updates on Near Eastern excavations at Sepphoris, Nazareth and Bethsaida.

The keynote speaker for the conferences is Dr. James Strange, professor of Religious Studies and director of Graduate Studies at the University of South Florida. He was a Montgomery Fellow at the W.F. Albright Institute for Archaeological Research in Jerusalem from 1970-1971 and NEH fellow at the institute in 1980.

The opening event for this conference is a keynote speech by Strange titled “Jesus and his Archaeological Setting.” He will speak on Thursday at 7 p.m.

The closing conference event is the public opening of “Silent Spectators of the Sacred,” an exhibit of antiquities on loan from the Israel Antiquities Authority. Featured are

stones from the Temple Mount in Jerusalem, which date to the first century. The exhibit opening will take place in Arts and Sciences Hall, room 343 at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

Both evening events are free and open to the public. Registration for the conference is required for all other events. All registration materials, including the program, are available on the Bethsaida Web site at <http://www.unomaha.edu/~betsaida>, or by contacting Wendi Chiarbos Jensen, Bethsaida Excavations Project coordinator, at 554-2902 or wchiarbos@mail.unomaha.edu.

Danenbauer farewell reception scheduled for Friday at Sapp Fieldhouse

All UNO faculty and staff are invited to celebrate Bob Danenbauer's career as the UNO Director of Athletics on Friday. The farewell reception will be held from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Sapp Fieldhouse, with a program beginning at 5:15 p.m.

Annual Child Care Center costume parade set for Friday

The UNO Child Care Center will sponsor its annual costume parade across campus this Friday beginning at 9 a.m. Approximately 95 children will start the parade at the child care center. They will proceed along the north side of campus (facing Dodge Street) to Kayser Hall and back to the child care center via the Memorial Mall through the center of campus.

All UNO faculty, staff and students are invited to greet the children as they process through the center of campus. The UNO Child Care Center asks that no peanut products, suckers and hard candy be handed out, as they are a choking hazard to the younger children participating in the festivities.

For more information, call 554-3398.

Weight Watchers on Campus to hold Open House on Friday

The Wellness Stampede, UNO's health promotion program, announces the return of the Weight Watchers on Campus program.

A free open house meeting will be held on Friday at noon in the Health, Physical

Education and Recreation Building, room 103. The leader will be Donna Thomas.

The open house is a no-pressure, commitment-free opportunity open to all interested faculty, staff and students. There is no registration fee to join, and participants can attend 11 meetings for the price of 10. The cost is \$109.50. Those who decide to join can take advantage of a payment option, which is three payments of \$36.50.

For more information, call Amber Nielsen at 554-3917.

Bookstore to offer “Pumpkin Patch” promotion through Friday

Get into the fall spirit and visit the UNO Bookstore “Pumpkin Patch” through Oct. 29.

Select your apparel items, take your selections to the cashier and they will let you pick a treat from the pumpkin to determine your discount price. Savings up to 50 percent off all UNO/Maverick apparel are available through this promotion. Additional selected merchandise will also be sale priced up to 75 percent off during the event.

For more information, contact Jacinda Brooks at jbrooks@mail.unomaha.edu.

Charla Series continues Nov. 2 with Gustavo Cano

The Office of Latino/Latin American Studies at UNO will host the next installment in its Charla series on Tuesday, Nov. 2.

Gustavo Cano will present “Political Transnationalism: The Case of Mexican Immigrants in the United States” from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. in the Milo Bail Student Center's Chancellor's Room. The

event is free and open to the public.

Cano is a Ph.D. candidate in political science at Columbia University. He is the director of the Transnationalism Research Project of the Mexico-North Research Network, and was a guest scholar at the Center for Comparative Immigration Studies at the University of California, San Diego. His work focuses on how and why political organizations of Mexican immigrants differ across American cities.

“Charla” is the Spanish term for a conversation or chat. For more information, contact Lucy Garza at 554-3835 or lgarza@mail.unomaha.edu.

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current guidelines," said Kosel.

Currently, no research or surveys have been conducted showing that smoke is entering inside any of the campus buildings or whether or not the current guidelines pose a health threat.

"We simply do not have the resources or ability to do that kind of research. I am just going off of what I have heard from other people, and if you have allergies to smoke, even trace amounts can cause discomfort," Skreija said.

Skreija's resolution also calls for a ban to be placed on smokeless tobacco, which currently poses no health concerns to non-users.

"I have heard about students using chewing tobacco in classrooms and then spitting into pop cans or cups," said Skreija. "This is distracting and can make some people nauseous."

"I don't smoke very much on campus," said UNO Junior Amanda Becker.

Becker, who is currently majoring in Elementary Education said, "You should be able to at least smoke in designated areas, but not everywhere on campus. You shouldn't be able to walk around and smoke wherever you want, because that is not fair to people who don't smoke. As far as chewing in class, that is just disgusting and although I haven't really seen anyone do it, I don't think they should be allowed to."

UNO is not the first college to consider implementing a tobacco-free policy, and other institutions such as Minnesota State and Fort Lewis College in Colorado have both enacted policies restricting or limiting the use of tobacco on campus. According to a survey conducted by the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators, 100 percent of institutions reported that smoking is prohibited in campus buildings, 16 percent have become completely smoke-free and 84 percent of campuses were partially smoke-free.

Vermilion Community College was the most stringent regarding tobacco usage, and

the current policies on their campus are nearly the same as those being proposed under the current drafted resolution at UNO.

The current policy is worded at Vermilion as follows: "All Vermilion Community College facilities and vehicles are tobacco-free areas. Smoking or chewing tobacco is prohibited at all times and violators will be subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension or expulsion."

Skreija's proposal does not specifically call for suspension or expulsion of students who violate the proposed no-tobacco policy, but leaves enforcement issued up to security and administration.

"Enforcement is of course going to be a tough area to consider, and in some cases [such as students smoking in their vehicles] it will be a 'catch-me-if-you-can' type of situation. I don't know specifically how the rule will be enforced but most likely it will be the same as a parking violation," said Skreija.

"We are a public institution," Kosel said. "People come through here walking their dogs. How would we possibly stop everyone from using tobacco on campus? If some type of resolution does pass, it will not be up to campus security to enforce it. We can write parking tickets because we have been given the approval from the regents, but we cannot write out tickets for people in violation of a tobacco ban unless it becomes state or city law. The only type of enforcement we could do if this tobacco ban does pass would be to refer violators to the vice chancellor."

The issue of tobacco-free colleges has become such a hot issue over the last few years that Web sites such as Tobacco-Free U.com and SmokersRights.com have sprung up to defend and promote both sides of the issue.

Statistics taken from the Centers for Disease Control and posted on Tobacco-Free U.com show that only 34.8 percent of college students reported using tobacco within the last 30 days and that 55 percent of students who smoke would like to quit before they graduate.

"Smoking doesn't bother me and cigarette smoke has never been a major concern to me," said Freshman Colin Kehn, who does not use tobacco. "But at the same time, there are a lot of people who do not smoke that find cigarettes intolerable."

Kehn said if smoking were banned on campus, it could only be for the better, "but I would have no problem if things were kept as they are or if smokers had to go to a designated area."

"There are a lot of cigarette butts on campus and if people don't start using the ashtrays, smoking probably will be banned," Kehn said. "As for the part of the rule dealing with chew, I have never seen anyone chewing in class, but I have had to clean up spit cups after people and that is disgusting."

Bardon Miller, a sophomore majoring in pre-med, said that he has never smelled smoke in any of the buildings and although he is a smoker, he still finds the smell of cigarettes disgusting.

"The only reason that the current rules should be changed is if there is evidence that people are under the threat of facing health problems, and I can't think of anywhere on campus where anyone is exposed to a lot of secondhand smoke," Miller said.

Dr. Michael Skau, head and department chair of UNO's English Department, said, "It would surprise me if there was evidence of health dangers from people inhaling secondhand smoke that has dissipated outdoors. There are greater concerns with our city air than cigarette smoke, and befoulment of air in cities has become a real and serious problem. This rule would be very difficult to enforce and it sounds very much like a police state tactic."

Skau is a smoker.

According to Skreija, the current policies pose a health threat from secondhand smoke by smoke blowing into the buildings on windy days and from smoke hanging in the air when there is no breeze.

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not really a goal that we have in mind, we just really want the participation from the school."

Students interested in donating clothes for the drive can drop them off in National Pan-Hellenic Council office in the Student Programming Office or at Import Village at 157 N. 72nd St (across from Crossroads Mall).

The idea for Omega Week was developed by James Mason, Michael Crawford and Tyrone Brice. Planning for the event was over a two-month period.

Mason said "We encourage (students to attend) to basically raise awareness for the students. Also, we would like for activities to be done on campus that are not just party-oriented, even though we are having a party."

Another purpose of the week is for growth.

"We want the campus to be able to grow, we want everybody to be mature young adults, and things of that nature and we want to be the initiators of that," he said.

The following list is a rundown of the week's events:

Through Friday: Omega Clothing Drive

Today: "Be OWT & Vote" Open Forum, 11 a.m. -1 p.m., Fireplace Lounge in the Milo Bail Student Center.

Wednesday: Black Family Appreciation Day Open Forum, 11 a.m. -1 p.m., Fireplace Lounge in MBSC.

Thursday: NPHC appreciation Day

Friday: Wrap up of clothing Drive

Saturday: Omega Social Gathering, 8 p.m. Aksarben Room in MBSC.

These activities are open to all students.

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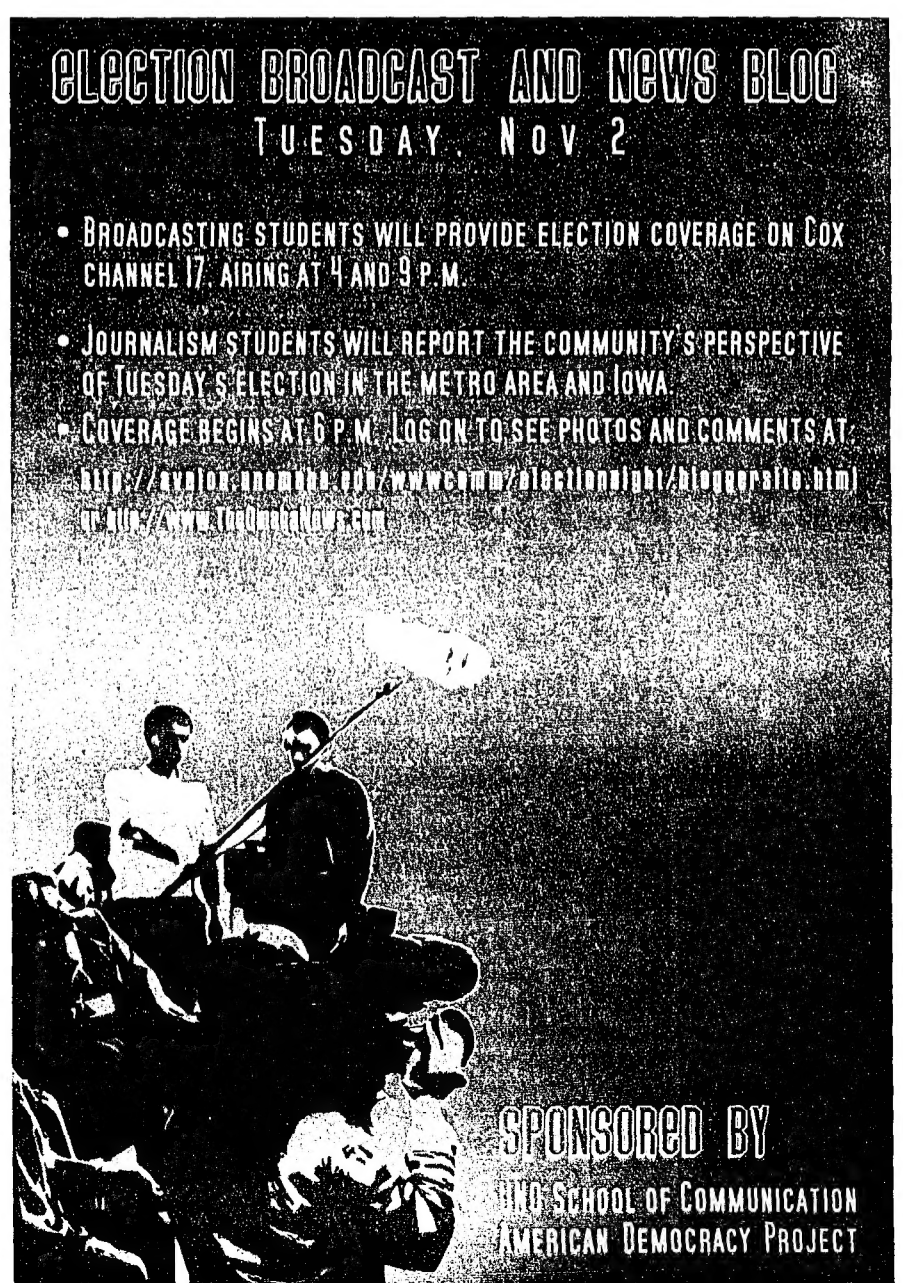


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College debt rising faster than tuition, fee increases

SHARON PIAN CHAN
THE SEATTLE TIMES (KRT)

Natasha Khachatourians has so much student debt that she's working two jobs. Eight hours a day, she staffs the front window at Seattle University's financial-aid office. Three nights a week she's at her second job, working at Lovers Package until 10:30 p.m. On Saturdays, she pulls another eight-hour shift at the adult-entertainment store.

She's barely staying afloat. Khachatourians, 23, graduated from Seattle University last year and her debt tally is \$60,000 in education loans, plus \$4,500 on four credit cards. After consolidating her federal loans, her education payments are \$300 a month.

"I eat a lot of bread," she says. "It's cheap."

Her predicament reflects that of many college graduates: Students are leaving college owing more and more, and that swelling debt is outpacing the rise in other higher-education costs.

"It means the most educated individuals in our society, who would go out and do the best financially, are also the ones entering their careers with the heaviest debt we've ever asked our graduates to carry," said Douglas Breithaupt, president of the College Planning Network, a Seattle nonprofit.

Nationally, the average debt load for undergraduates had reached \$18,900 in 2002, according to the most recent survey by lender Nellie Mae.

"The rising cost of higher education is

partially driving it," says Jim White, director of financial aid at Seattle University.

Prices have gone up at public and private four-year colleges across the country, albeit more slowly than debt levels. While

colleges, according to the College Board.

The University of Washington's in-state tuition went up 11.7 percent in the same period. At a private university like Seattle U., tuition has risen as much as 6 percent

"It wasn't giving me the capacity to save up," she said. "It's just a Catch-22."

In her job at SU, Khachatourians takes home a paycheck of \$1,600 a month after taxes. She keeps her rent and utilities at \$450 by sharing a house in Ballard with three roommates. The payment for her 2003 Ford Focus is \$355 a month, insuring it costs \$190 a month. She goes grocery shopping once a month and tries to keep the bill around \$100. Just making the minimum payment on her credit cards was costing her \$150. Throw in the \$300 loan payments, and her expenses totaled about \$1,550.

In April, she took the job at Lovers Package, thinking it would help her pay down her credit cards, but it's just keeping her level. Now she can make her minimum payments, pay her bills on time, buy food and "live comfortably," she said.

But she jokes about faking her own death. "It would be really easy to jump off a cruise ship," she says, but she can't afford a cruise.

Cassandra Russell graduated from Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma this summer and owes about \$70,000.

"I'm paying \$18,000 (a year) more than someone going to a state-run university," she said. "But the quality of education and what was available to me was incredible."

She loved her professors, and the school offered free counseling services when her father passed away and then her mother and sister became seriously ill.

And although the job hunt has been competitive because of the tight market, she feels optimistic about finding something in public relations. She plans to live at home with her mother while she pays down her student loan and starts saving up for a house.

Graduates in high-demand fields also are less concerned. Herb LeBeau transferred from Seattle Central Community College to Seattle University and majored in engineering. He owes about \$20,000, but he's not worried.

"I should be able to make pretty good money once I start working," he said.

Martha Holler, a spokeswoman for lender Sallie Mae, points out that compared to car loans, home mortgages and credit cards, education loans offer lower interest rates. Currently the interest rate is about 3.4 percent, she said.

She also points out that students have a lot of flexibility in repayment compared with other types of loans. Graduates can defer repayment if they can't find a job. If they opt for automatic payments each month, the lender can shave a bit off the interest rates. Graduates also can choose different repayment plans to adjust their monthly payments.

Overall, higher education remains an attractive investment. According to Postsecondary Education Opportunity, the median income for a college graduate in 2003 was \$48,896, compared to \$29,800 for a high-school graduate.

Khachatourians doesn't think a four-year degree guarantees a well-paying job. So she's starting a part-time master's-degree program in public administration at Seattle University in January. The school will pay for some of the credits because she works there.

She's going to be taking \$13,000 in loans to pay for the first two quarters.



Natasha Khachatourians, a recent graduate of Seattle University, works two jobs because she has so much student debt. She also will start a master's program in public administration part time.

KRT Campus

debt was rising 66 percent between 1997 and 2002, the average tuition increased by 22.5 percent nationally at four-year public

each year.

But tuition increases aren't the only reason behind the rise in student debt, White says.

"Culturally we've changed our minds about what we expect to have when we're in college," SU's White said. "Twenty years ago, students were more inclined to share a home, not have a car, didn't have a cell phone, whereas now, students coming out of high school have an expectation."

Maximum loan amounts under federal programs have not changed in the past 14 years. As a result, students are turning to private lenders to finance their education.

Western Washington University estimates that its students received \$517,708 from private lenders in the 1999-2000 school year. That number increased to \$2.1 million in the school year that ended this summer.

Many students, like Khachatourians, feel the loans are worth what they got out of college.

She knows it was her choice to attend and pay the price of a private university. Seattle University's tuition runs \$21,285 a year.

She grew up in Las Vegas, where the two state universities didn't offer the quality of education she wanted. Attending a public university in another state would have cost as much in out-of-state tuition as at a private school, so she chose the latter, pursuing an English major and minoring in criminal justice.

Her parents couldn't help pay her tuition. She applied for the available federal loans, the Stafford and the Perkins. Those loans didn't cover her tuition, so she went to private lenders Sallie Mae and American Education Services.


During the school year, she took a work-study job and worked the maximum 20 hours a week for about \$8 an hour.

She worked during the summers in Seattle, but said that the money she made covered only her rent and living expenses. She felt like she could never make enough to save up for tuition.

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Last year I was a Victoria's Secret Angel, but that was an easy last minute costume. Just throw on a nightgown, some stockings and wings and you're ready for your close up (real original, I know...).

This year I had my heart set on a costume that I kept meaning to order online, or at least reserve at a local costume shop and here we are, just days away from All Hallows' Eve and I'm still at the drawing board. Luckily for me, and possibly for you, there is still hope.

Obviously it is best to plan ahead. Web sites like buycostumes.com and costumes4u.com have pretty much anything you could imagine and often at fairly decent prices. Local stores like Mangelsen's and Nobbies carry costumes and accessories and eliminate the guesswork that the Internet can sometimes involve. And you can always rent costumes at Ibsen's or at other local costume shops.

But let's get real. Where we're at right now, none of these options will likely suit us. The best way to get an original costume this late is to create it yourself.

There are unlimited ideas out there, and even some Web sites are devoted to this. For example, costumeideazone.com has tons of do-it-yourself ideas.

A few of my favorites are:

- The kissing booth, which involves building a booth around your head with a sign that says, "Kisses, \$1" (you may even make some money with this one);

- The q-tip, which consists of puffy hair, cotton balls glued to your shoes and blue plastic wrap wrapped around your body;

- The bobble-head, where you dress as your favorite sports star and when asked what you are, move your head around.

Going with someone as a couple? Try being the Spartan Cheerleaders (pretty self-explanatory—dress like cheerleaders)

or Tom Cruise and Lana the hooker from *Risky Business*. The guy dresses in a white button-up shirt, no pants, sunglasses and socks, the girl dresses like a hooker.

If you don't like any of these ideas you could just get a mask at a store around town or buy from



anytimecostumes.com, which features overnight shipping. On a last note, a lot of these places have pet costumes, too, and no one can deny how cute little Spike would look in a tutu if you choose to deflect the attention off yourself this year.

Whatever you end up being or doing, have a fun and safe Halloween. And remember that it's not too late to come up with an amazing and memorable costume! As always, I'm eager to hear what you have to tell me what's up at

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WISH YOU WERE THERE

Converge at the Ranch Bowl

REVIEW BY ANJANE GILES
STAFF WRITER

There are many ways a band can make a hardcore show memorable. The fact that they are willing to get so involved with the crowd that it's almost like everyone is a member of the band is doubtlessly one. Converge did exactly that last Wednesday evening at the Ranch Bowl. Fans ran across the stage numerous times and leapt into the raging crowd, while the band perpetually encouraged the crowd to go crazy. The aggressiveness of the band's music is enough to make any audience belligerent. The band is also pretty impressionable for someone who has never heard any of its music. The style may be too harsh for some, but over the last 11 years that the band has been together, it's cultivated a pretty loyal

following.

Converge is some of the loudest, most abrasive, intense music out there. It is also quite amusing to watch the heavily tattooed lead singer Jacob Bannon throw himself around onstage, while belting out vocals that are ear-shattering. Instead of the occasional screams here and there in a lot of hardcore music, Bannon just shrieks at the top of his lungs. Heavy distortion and total chaos gives the band their abundantly raw sound.

A lot of the music performed was off their album, *You Fail Me*, just released in September. The band members drove 23 hours from Oregon to play for the Omaha crowd. A few of them were running on no sleep, but still managed to play a decent show. About halfway through their set, Bannon asked to have all the house lights turned on. He expressed that he wanted to see the audience, and

said that playing in dimmed rock show lights was not punk rock at all.

After Converge thanked the audience for coming out, and walked off stage, the unsatisfied audience chanted for one more song. The band returned on stage and played "The Saddest Day," a track off its second album, *Petitioning the Empty Sky* (1998). It proved to be a real pleaser for crowd that knew all the words, and ended the night just right.



Josh Bashara

Converge rocks the house with its loud, abrasive music at The Ranch Bowl last Wednesday evening.

Hip-Hop Notes

COMMENTARY BY JULIAN IVEY
STAFF WRITER

This has been an odd couple of weeks for the hip-hop world. I'll start with the strangest stuff first.

Eminem, who just celebrated his 32nd birthday, is involved in a beef with ya boy Michael Jackson. It seems the gloved one is enraged with Slim Shady's depiction of him in his new video. He feels it's not sensitive to make fun of the serious allegations against him and has asked video stations not play the video.

Only BET has agreed to take the video off the air. Another example of why BET—along with most television, especially NBC—is garbage.

This story only gets worse. The former king of pop is now joining forces with **Ray Benzino** and the two of them are supposed to do a record dissing Em. This has to be a publicity stunt. If not, this is the stupidest thing I have heard in a long time. Anyone who takes any of these clowns seriously needs to be examined.

Bill O'Reilly is in some hot water over some alleged comments he's all but admitted to. His

adversary, **Ludacris**, is taking the high road on his enemy's tough times and said he's innocent until proven guilty.

Funny how Bill is having charges pressed against him for saying the same things Ludacris said on albums and O'Reilly campaigned to have him removed from Pepsi commercials for it. Remember folks—what goes around comes around.

Word on the street is my two all-time favorite groups are planning a tour together. That's right: **Wu-Tang Clan** and **A Tribe Called Quest** are planning a tour together. For me, that is like Christmas, Halloween, St. Patrick's Day and Earth Day all rolled into one.

Ice Cube is working with the creator of *Futurama* on a new animated series. It will be a cartoon comedy about an early '80s hip-hop group in New Jersey.

Roxanne Shante is suing **Janet Jackson** for not paying her for a sample Jackson used on her *Damita Jo* album. Shante, who is now a psychiatrist, contacted Jackson and requested payment but Jackson refused.

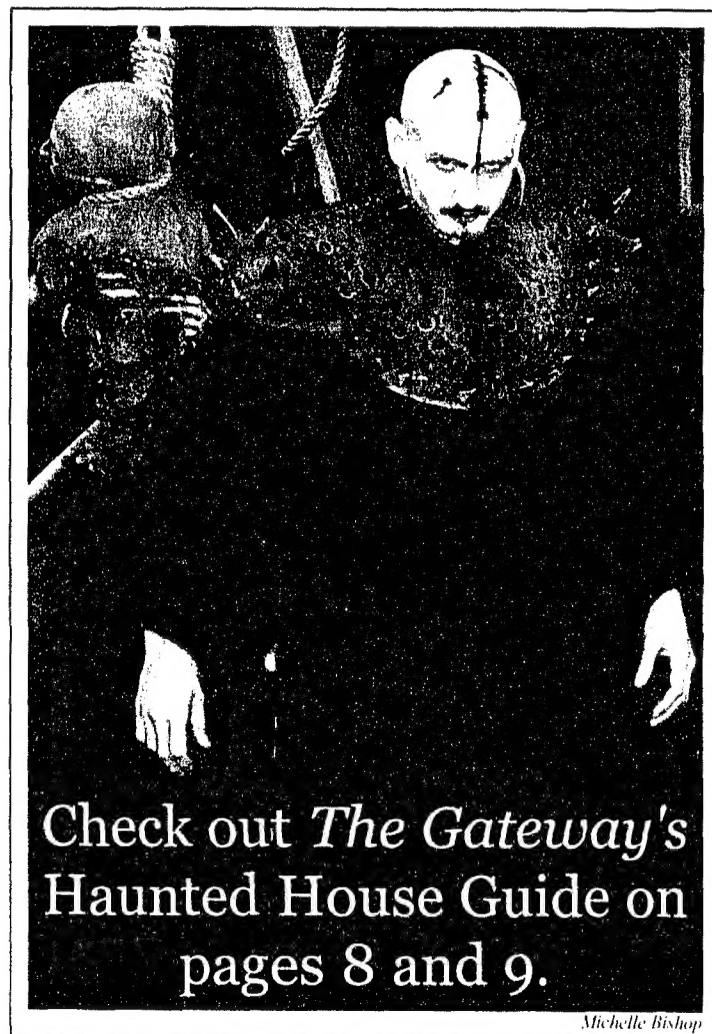
Cam'ron's album has been pushed back again but only two weeks so he could add some songs. His first single is titled "Girls" and is a remake of Cyndi Lauper's one-hit. I'm interested in hearing it.

Another song I'm really enjoying is the new one from **Snoop Dogg** and the **Neptunes**. It's the first single from a collaboration album between Doggy Style records and Star Trak records.

I hate the east coast traffic, but the radio stations have been playing some good music: Snoop's song, "Terror Squad," featuring Kanye West and a new **Ja Rule** track with Jadakiss and Fat Joe on it have been played a lot. Hopefully our local stations will have these on when I make it back.

OutKast's HBO movie is doing well despite reports of the contrary. The new *Grand Theft Auto* game will have a classic hip-hop soundtrack with **Public Enemy** and **Eric B. and Rakim** on it. Mos Def and Talib Kweli released separate albums that are both pretty good.

Well hip-hoppers, I'll back in the O-N-E soon and ready to fall back and celebrate Halloween, the new St. Patrick's day. Until then, get ready to vote and brush up on the issues. I know I will.



Michelle Bishop

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Enharmonic Notes

Your big head is blocking my view

COMMENTARY BY RAE LICARI

STAFF WRITER

I've been to a couple large-sized concerts in the past couple weeks, and it's reminded me of one of the reasons I quit going to large-sized concerts: people are rude.

Concert etiquette isn't much different from regular everyday etiquette; it's mostly common sense and the general courtesy we are taught as children to extend to people in general. But it seems most people in large groups in a concert hall setting have a tendency to revert to the mental age of a preschooler and lose all sense of common courtesy. It is frustrating, to say the least.

So, in case you somehow forgot along the way, here is a quick reminder of good behavior and the dos and don'ts of concert-going:

1. Don't shove your way up to the front of the crowd at the last minute. People who were there first have probably been standing there for an hour or so. If you can't be bothered to stand up there for an hour or more like everyone else, you don't have the right to be close to the stage during the show. End of story.

2. Chances are if you are in the main crowd, you are in close quarters. Be mindful of other people around you. If you're going to flail wildly about, move to a part of the venue that is less densely packed with people. Nobody likes being elbowed in the face, stepped on, etc.

3. Beer does not give you license to throw common courtesy out the window. If you can't hold your alcohol, don't use it as an excuse for acting like a total jerk.

4. People paid money to see the groups on

the stage—not you. The people on stage shouldn't have to compete with people in the audience for attention. Talking over the band, especially if the band's music is acoustic and soft, is not only rude, it's also obnoxious for the people who actually care about the band. So knock it off, understand? Save the small talk for the set changes.

5. If nothing else, remember the golden rule: ask yourself if you would want someone else doing to you what you're doing to others.

Keep these guidelines in mind when you're at a concert and the experience should be a pleasant one for all parties. Everyone wins!

Failure to follow these guidelines may result in my shoe print appearing on the back of your head. You have been warned.

Dear drunk guy at the Sonic Youth show in Kansas City:

Shoving your way up to the front of the stage is not cool. Dumping half your beer on my arm isn't cool, either, and no amount of shrugging and sweet-talking is going to make me any less annoyed with you. I don't enjoy smelling like beer, and I don't enjoy dealing with idiots, either. Don't try to blame someone else pushing you, either. If you hadn't been trying to shove up to the front in the first place, this situation would not be an issue.

You got kicked out of the concert halfway through Sonic Youth, and I have to say, I was glad. I laughed at the security guards pulling you out of the crowd. What can I say? Karma is great.

I certainly hope I never have to deal with your stupidity again. Do us all a favor and stay home next time, OK?

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Get Spooked

Mystery Manor still one of Omaha's best scares

REVIEW BY ANJANE GILES
SENIOR WRITER

With the large variety of haunted houses in the Omaha area this year, it's hard to decide which one is really worth going to. But there is one in particular worth checking out that has been scaring crowds both young and old for 21 years. Mystery Manor, the longest-running haunted house in Omaha, is a unique but traditional haunted house with a story that tells of how the building actually became haunted. It is located at 716 N. 18th St. and admission is \$10.

The atmosphere is set before you even enter the building. Outside of the historical mansion, evil downs run after people, and the door greeter entertains groups with fire tricks as they wait to go in. Inside, the floors sound creaky and frail, creating the feeling that you could fall through them at any minute. The house features 23 detailed rooms, and about 40 actors. Interactive scripted scenes are performed; loud surprises lurk around every corner. One of the rooms gives you a brief history of William Hall, the real ghost that supposedly lurks in the 120 year-old house. Another room creates the illusion that people

are walking through a dark swamp. Some of the scenes are even comical. The insane doctor, old witch and bearded lady are some of the aspects that make the haunted house more of an entertaining experience. Every room has a specific character, whose story gets the crowd ready for the next room. It's like walking through one big horrifying play.

Wayne Sealy, the owner of the house, says that he and his crew have spent close to a million dollars in set design over the years. "The set design is very important, and all the characters had to audition for their parts," Sealy told *The Observer*. "The public, however, is the number one character. If they're not engaged, the magic will not happen."

Sealy said that he tries to enhance business by adding something new to the scenery each year.

A portion of the proceeds is donated to Prevent Blindness Nebraska, and what is left goes into improving the set design. "This has been the best season for business that we have ever had," Sealy said. "This haunted house is an avocation, not a money maker. It's all about giving a theatrical show."



Michelle Bishop
"Igor" of Mystery Manor.

The house contains some of the elements that you would typically see at a haunted house, like coffins, strobe lights and vampires. The unique thing about Mystery Manor is the fact that all the actors have to develop their own costumes each night, and wear only theatrical makeup. Each room is enhanced with loud sound effects and animated props. It's a haunted house appropriate for Halloween fans of all ages, and definitely worth checking out.

Haunt: The Kingdom of Fear provides Omaha with fright

BRYAN KOHLER
SENIOR WRITER

"There's a need in Omaha for high fear," said Rusty Bahr, CEO of Thrill Seekers and partner in Omaha's latest haunted attraction, Haunt: The Kingdom of Fear. Bahr is currently the CEO of the YMCA in Blair and has been doing non-profit work, such as haunted houses, for 18 years.

Jane Bouwman, associate CEO of the YMCA in Blair, has also helped with the project. Along with Bahr and Bouwman, Brad Streeters is also in this venture. As a graduate from Dana College, Streeters also helped with the YMCA's haunted houses.

Bahr feels that there's a need for high fear, good fun, without Satanic imagery. After many years of experience, these three partners all came together to bring their ideas to a profitable professional level.

Haunt: The Kingdom of Fear is the largest indoor haunted attraction (10,000 sq. ft.) and has the only paid staff in Nebraska.

Haunt is also an interactive attraction that focuses on the five senses. It's easy to say that Haunt has been carefully planned and developed. Other than the 18

years of experience, the partners have been to haunted attraction conventions in North Carolina and Las Vegas. They went to other haunted houses in town as well and picked out what was scary, and what they would change to make it that way.

Outside of the extensive research, they also had to overcome a fair amount of obstacles. Some of them include design, staffing, marketing and location.

"When we first wanted to find a location, we wanted a main street, a very marketable street such as 72nd," said Streeters.

Haunt is located on north 73rd Street in the Blondo Plaza. They wanted the customers to be familiar with the street it is on.

"This location had enough square footage that we thought we could be successful in, and also had a marketable address," Streeter explained.

They plan for Haunt to be different every year to give the customers something truly unique.

As his three-year business venture, Bahr stated, "This has over exceeded our expectations."

For more information on Haunt, check out www.hauntomaha.com.



Josh Williamson
Patrons looking for a scare make their way through the interior of the Kingdom of Fear.

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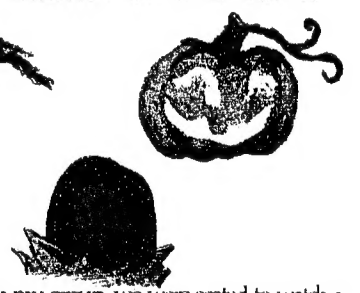
Haunt: Kingdom of Fear lives up to its name

REVIEW BY BRYAN KOHLER
SENIOR WRITER

After talking to the owners of Haunt: The Kingdom of Fear, I was convinced that

this was going to be a very interesting and original experience.

I was wondering if all of the good things they were telling me were true.



with my group, we were seated to watch a short movie explaining the castle.

Here's a tip: pay attention to the entire movie, because you might learn something.

After the movie, you're pretty much on your own, because there are no guides to help you out. Keep in mind that almost the entire complex is pitch black and the only way to navigate is to look down at the glowing arrows. Sometimes it's not always a good thing to look down.

You never know what might come out of the shadows.

One thing that really caught my eye was the theme of horror movie rooms. They were cleverly designed and put you in the place of the person in the movie. Which movies were represented? I'll just say some horror cult classics. As soon as you walk into these rooms, you'll

know right away.

Here's something else to remember: this is an interactive haunted attraction. Yes, you will have to crawl and face fears during the process. If you're claustrophobic then I'm sorry, there's no advice that I can give. Oh yeah, there's also a chance that you might get chased.

The most surprising thing is that this is Haunt's first year doing this.

All in all, Haunt: The Kingdom of Fear is freaking awesome. I've never, ever gone through such a thrilling experience during the Halloween season.

Let me just say this first: People sneak up on you, scream and follow you in the parking lot!

Trust me, their appearance will make you a bit uneasy.

Haunt offers the Castle of Darkness (\$10), Dungeon of Defiance (\$4), 3-D Medieval Golf (\$3) and the Hot Seat (\$2). If you want, you can get a VIP pass for \$5 extra to avoid the waiting lines and go right to the event. I decided to go through the Castle of Darkness, the main attraction of Haunt.

The Castle of Darkness is the most honest name for this haunted attraction because the castle is pitch black.

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The Gateway's Haunted House Guide

Vala's Pumpkin Patch makes a perfect fall activity



REVIEW BY AMANDA GOREY
STAFF WRITER

Just southwest of Omaha and to the east of Gretna (beyond the construction and congestion) is a gravel road ending in fields dotted with fat, orange pumpkins. This field is one of the area's most well-known fall seasonal attractions: Vala's Pumpkin Patch.

On a crisp fall evening, a trip to the patch is a fantastic autumn family event. The air is heavy with the smell of fields, bonfire smoke and caramel apples. While wandering the wide dirt trails, with hot apple cider in hand, visitors are greeted by friendly staff and many activities to keep all of your little monsters—be they offspring or siblings—occupied.

The "Pigtucky Derby" race is one of the more amusing activities on the farm. Visitors gather around and clamor for a spot to watch barnyard animals race to the finish. Truth be told, it seems I have a knack for picking the winning pig. The races last about 20 minutes, and are held once per hour.

There are many walk-through activities located on the farm. From the Haunted Farmhouse, Haunted Trail and Graveyard, to the Lost Pumpkin Mine and Tumbling Rock Cavern, there is little that will be too frightening for the particularly young or jumpy. These activities are perfect for children who like a scare, but are not quite ready for the haunted houses you're going to see in town.

While one could say finding a pumpkin at the patch is the least of your concerns, no trip to the pumpkin patch would be complete without a trip out to the fields. Vala's features a tractor-pulled hayrack ride out to the pumpkin fields where visitors

can pick their own pumpkins. The hayrack ride lasts about 30 minutes. For those who aren't up to the trip, hundreds of pumpkins can be found in the activity area.

While a little bumpy, there are few obstacles and most activities are doable for elderly family members or those who may have a hard time getting around.

Vala's Pumpkin Patch has come quite a way since its early beginnings. Jim and Jan Vala started the patch in 1983 on 20 acres as a pick-your-own farm of strawberries, tomatoes, peppers, pumpkins and other vegetables. By 1985, a decision had been made to establish a "pumpkin patch" which would include a café and spook shed. For nearly 20 years, the Vala's have been adding new features and attractions to their ever-



Josh Williamson

Pumpkins are piled high at Vala's Pumpkin patch.

expanding outdoor family experience.

Vala's Pumpkin Patch is open through Oct. 31. Hours of operation are from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday. General admission is \$8.50 per person, children under 2 are admitted free.

Halloween Happenings

COMPILED BY SOMMER LEINBACH
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Old Dundee, 4963 Dodge St.
Costume contest and party.

Oct. 29

Icehouse Sports Bar, 10928 Emmet St.
Costume party featuring FishHeads, Halloween-themed drink specials, prizes and games.

Club Joy, 1516 Jones St.
Club Joy presents...Carnivale!
10 p.m. to 1 a.m., 21+, \$5 cover all night
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Oct. 30

Spook Cruise

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Cactus Café, 1212 Harney St

Halloween party and costume contest.

Eden, 311 S. 15th St.

Halloween costume contest, cash prizes.

Club Nico, 11201 Davenport St.

Naughtiest costume wins \$1000 cash prize

Shark Club, 2808 S. 72 St

Massive costume party and contest. First prize is a trip to Las Vegas, and cash prizes for second and third places. Wheel of Torture, contests galore and horror films on two large TV screens.

Oct. 31

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The Max, 1417 Jackson Street

Costume Contest hosted by Miss Max Chandler and Mr. Max Brandon.

Clancy's Pub, 777 N. 114 St.

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Dubliner Pub, 1235 Harney St.

Peter Yates is performing, \$1 orange Jell-O shots and costume contest for prizes.

Omaha Healing Arts Center, 1216 Howard St

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POWER OF PORN

Halloween by DVD: a selection of must-sees, old and new

COMMENTARY BY AMANDA GOREY
STAFF WRITER

Halloween is the time of year we tend to associate with all things gruesome. Many of these "slasher" movies are not actually Halloween movies; that's just when we give them our attention. Around the first of October, we become inundated with cliché Halloween slasher films that have no redeeming value in cinema or in cleverness of plot. You can't swing a dead cat without hitting a television showing *Child's Play* by the ides of October and I defy you to watch a television for more than 15 minutes near the end of the month without being invited to do the "time warp again."

We can still revisit our annual Halloween booty calls, which—if you've forgotten their names, or lost your bar napkins—are: Jason Vorhees, Freddy Krueger, Michael Myers and everyone's inspiration for murdering their sister's favorite doll, Chuckie.

If you dabble in things less than holy, then exorcise your inner Damians with *The Omen* and *The Exorcist*. And if you are still puking up peas, then check out *Rosemary's Baby* and *Repossessed*. Even Stephen King has managed to hawk a few movies worth watching:

Carrie, Salem's Lot, Christine, Cujo and The Shining.

If the reanimated dead engage your fancy, then you should check out George Romero's *Dead* trilogy, *Zombie*, *Die Todderking*, *Cannibal Holocaust*, *Cannibal Apocalypse* and *Horror of the Zombies*.

We call them "Halloween" movies because they've got blood in them. After the candy has been counted, the razorblades removed, and the raisins are snugly tucked into the garbage can, the staple of Halloween sleepovers across the nation should include the Universal Classics series of *Creature Features*. From 1931 to 1954, Universal films charted groundbreaking and blood-curdling territory with the likes of *Dracula*, *Frankenstein*, *The Mummy*, *The Wolfman* and the *Creature from the Black Lagoon*.

While my heart pumps red for the premier pioneers of creep: Lon Chaney, Bela Lugosi, Lon Chaney, Jr. and Boris Karloff, the power of Amanda Gorey compels you: let us not forget my beloved Vincent Price who brought us supreme psychological fright in *The Masque of the Red Death* (1964). Which, like this story ends thusly... "And darkness and decay and the red death held illimitable dominion over all."

What do you think about porn?



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Angels of Creation: childism found at a price

REVIEW BY BRENT CRAMPTON
STAFF WRITER

In the art world, ever since the introduction of abstract hit the gallery walls, people have always had the criticism that most art these days looks like something a child could create. Well, rather than refuting that rebuttal, artist Yoshito Shinohara takes the critics full-on.

Yoshito's exhibition, titled *Angels of Creation*, will be on display at the Antiquarium Gallery (1215 Harney St.) from now into December.

Yoshito is a Japanese native who is currently residing in New York City. In his art, he portrays stick-figured angels in much the same manner a child would have drawn them. "The angels children draw are the angels I draw," Yoshito told *The Gateway*. Most of his paintings take on genres such as cubism, pop art and minimalism. In his painting titled, "An Angel In The Rain, Waiting For The Train With A Heavy Luggage," there

are shades of blue highlighting a ball with an angel inside, waving to onlookers. The piece would almost be out of place on a museum gallery wall. Instead, the most comfortable place for most of his pieces in this showing would probably be on a refrigerator next to a drawing that a 6-year-old drew.

To say the least, his art is daring. Not daring in the way that a painting touches on a risky subject matter. More like daring because his work is so overly simplistic and childlike, while selling the essential pieces for anywhere between \$3,000 and \$12,000 and the smaller pieces for \$110. The masterpiece of the show, unrelated to the theme, is the extremely large canvas with the words "I LOVE OMAHA" painted in various colors. This piece is going for the modest price of \$40,000.

Evidently there is an audience in the art world for these kinds of paintings. After all, Yoshito has shown his art in places such as France, Canada, Mexico and Australia. He's a member of the Japan Artist Association,

International Association of Art and the Japan International Artist Society. With over 30 years of artistic experience, Yoshito is no amateur to the art world. So why is such a skilled and experienced artist doing such simplistic and unskilled art?

As Tom Rudloff, owner of the Antiquarium says, Yoshito is "very sincere about being affected by children's art." When Rudloff was asked by a spectator if the artist had a particularly strong admiration for children, he replied, "It's not so much an admiration, but respect for children."

Doug Dushan, owner of the Fluxion Art Gallery, said, "The child-like imagery and serene colors make it a refreshing addition to Omaha's growing list of international exhibitions."

Kayla VanZyl, a Lincoln resident who came on the night of the reception, was impressed. "It's nothing I've seen before," she said. "The angels are very simple, but then he adds lots of colors and shapes."

Yoshito is no newcomer to the Omaha

art scene. His wife, Kiki, came to UNO as a foreign exchange student. When she moved back to Japan, she married Yoshito. Kiki kept in contact with the host family she stayed with in Omaha. In 1983, the two came back to Omaha to visit the host family. Yoshito wanted to show his artwork in a gallery in Omaha. He checked out galleries all over town, and decided that the Antiquarium gallery would be the best for his work. When he approached Rudloff about showing his work, Rudloff was hesitant because they had already booked artists for the next year. "And then I saw his portfolio and told him we could arrange something," Rudloff admitted. So in 1983, Yoshito had his first exhibition at Antiquarium.

Given Yoshito's history, perhaps the \$40,000 "I Love Omaha" truly is an expression worth the price. His art is a parody, given his skillful artistic capabilities and the simplicity of the work. For that very reason, this exhibition may very well be advancing the boundaries of art.

The Cheap Choice

COMPILED BY SOMMER LEINBACH
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Dracula returns to Omaha

The dark, gothic tale that's well-known and beloved by all is in Omaha through Nov. 7, just in time for Halloween. This *Dracula* adaptation was written by Scott Kurz based on the

novel by Bram Stoker. *Dracula* will take the stage at Brigit Saint Brigit Theatre at 1901 S. 72nd St. Call 399-6287 for reservations.

Old Masters makes Midwestern stop

Renaissance to Rococo, Old Masters has come to the Joslyn Art Museum, 2200 Dodge St., as the only Midwestern stop on the tour. Through Feb. 27, the *Renaissance to Rococo: Masterpieces from the Collection of the Wadsworth Athenaeum Museum of Art* is comprised of rare, beautiful European paintings. Admission is \$9 for adults and \$7 for college students with ID. For more information, call

342-3300.

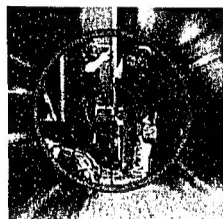
A very Brady spoof

Running until Oct. 31, *BradyFest 2004* will take audience members away on a satirical spoof of the popular Brady Bunch TV show. Written by Doug Marr, this spoof features "O Brady Where Art Thou!" in which Jan will meet her prison pen pal and attend a junior choir competition. In "Marcia Brady and the Mystery Club," the audience is guided by the Marcia and Greg's Perry Mason Club when Bobby's hamster goes missing. Starting at 8 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday, *BradyFest* will be performed in the Central Presbyterian Church basement at 55th

and Leavenworth Streets. Tickets are \$17 for dinner and the show, \$10 for the show only, and a \$2 discount to seniors and students. For more information, call 553-4715.

Showcase puts spotlight on UNO talent

The Student Acting Showcase spotlights UNO acting students' talents through movement, voice and character creation. The show they will be performing this year is *The Rimers of Eldritch*. Performed in the Weber Fine Arts Building, tickets can be purchased by calling 554-2335. The show runs Oct. 28 to 30 and Nov. 3 to 6. Shows begin at 6 p.m.



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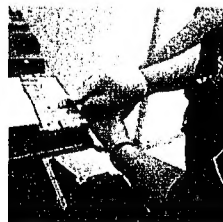
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Web Winners: Finding tips, pen pals and exceptional letters

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Is letter writing a lost art? On the Web, we find examples of what's good, and ways to cope in a post-literate world—from getting a pen pal to buying software that writes letters for us.

Love letters

Here are some excerpts from famous people's love letters. Imagine, a love letter from Napoleon Bonaparte: "Sweet, incomparable Josephine, what a strange effect you have on my heart!" Or, Elizabeth Barrett Browning to Robert: "My heart was full when you came here today. Henceforward I am yours for everything..."

www.theromantic.com/LoveLetters/main.htm

Writing community

Learning to write better isn't necessarily a lonely process. This online community, which requires users to register (for free), offers a forum for writers of any ability _ and advice for handling negative criticism.

Give up

There's software these days for everything, and, of course, that includes a computer program that spits out all sorts of letters for you. This site advertises one, but it also provides tips for writing every kind of letter from apologies to job terminations.

www.writeexpress.com/cat.html

Writing reborn

This site makes the argument that e-mail represents a rebirth of artful letter writing. But, the dearth of examples—the site looks abandoned—speaks loudly of another possibility.

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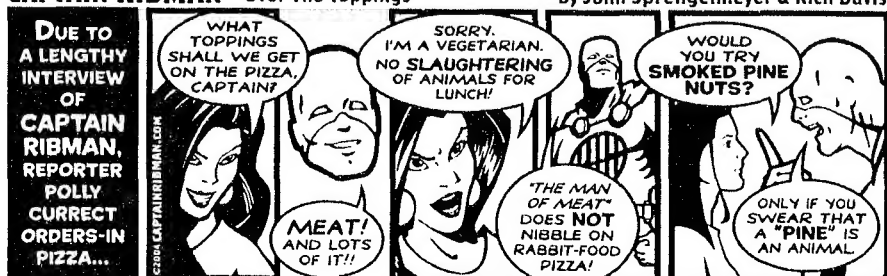
Pen pals

This is a modern irony. You join this online group whose mission is to help people find snail-mail pen pals around the world. Participants say they hope to save traditional letter writing from becoming a lost art.

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CAPTAIN RIBMAN in Over The Toppings

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UNO Hockey picks up first sweep since February '03

ANGIE PECK AND PARKER ADAIR
SPORTS EDITOR AND NEWS EDITOR

After dominating most of Friday's night game against Western Michigan University and pulling off the overtime win Saturday, the Maverick hockey team is 4-0 for the first time ever and picked up their first sweep since the Feb. 14-15 2003 sweep of Bemidji State.

The Mavericks started scoring early with three goals within the first 10 minutes of the game. Bill Bagron got the 4,500 on hand into the game after picking up a turnover in the neutral-zone and netted a short-handed goal on Bronco goalie Daniel Bellissimo.

Less than two minutes later, Scott Parse circled behind Bellissimo, placing the puck in the top left hand corner of the net. Dan Knapp put the final nail in Bellissimo's coffin, after he fired a pass from Parse right by Bellissimo's glove side. Bellissimo only saved two of the five shots fired at him before he was retired for the night.

WMU brought in goalie Eric Marvin hoping to stop the bleeding. Marvin kept the Mavericks at bay for the remainder of the first period. However, two minutes into the second period, David Phillips took advantage of a UWM penalty scoring the first goal of his collegiate career and giving the Mavericks a 4-0 lead.

"This is a tight group compared to years' past," said Mike Lefley. "We are deep, we can throw any line out there."

Phillips' goal was the only fire the Mavericks displayed in the second period. Penalties hurt the Mavericks, allowing WMU to score three power play goals and

gave WMU a new life.

UNO showed why they are undefeated in the third period, picking up three more goals before the final whistle.

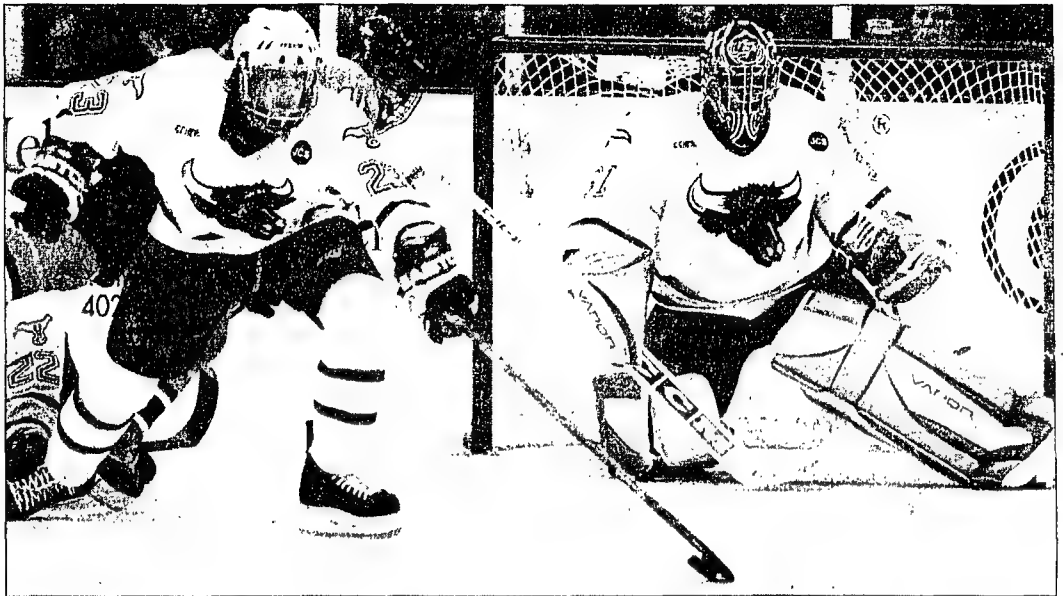
Saturday night's affair turned out to be a much different game than the night before, as WMU played tight defense, making it difficult for UNO to score. The Mavericks had five five-on-three advantages, but could only manage one goal.

At 15:51 in the first period, Parse netted one on the two-man advantage, putting UNO up one. WMU battled back, scoring 37 seconds into the second period on an even-strength Kevin Labatte goal.

Dan Hacker had a goal erased because of a crease violation, but shortly after, Bagron was able to give the Mavs the lead with 11:47 left in the second period on an assist from Bill Thomas from Parse.

The Broncos added two more goals, taking a 3-2 lead into the second intermission. At the end of the second period, WMU's Mike Lesperance was called for high sticking, putting UNO on the power play when they came back from the locker room.

That was all Head Coach Mike Kemp's team needed as Lefley stuffed a rebound into the net. The assists came from Parse and



Scott Parse gets his stick on a loose puck during the second period of Saturday night's game against Western Michigan.

Michelle Bishop

Bryan Marshall. Parse recorded his third point of the game.

"We had a bit of a lapse in the second period, but we needed to find a way to win," Lefley said.

Both teams played defense for much of the final stanza, with UNO not rotating the puck much or creating shot opportunities. When the Mavs did, Marvin was there to make an often-spectacular stop. The Mavericks finally got aggressive in the final 90 seconds, but it was not enough to score a goal.

Fans were treated to a session of free

hockey as the teams retook the ice for a scheduled five-minute overtime. In the bonus session, Lefley marked a second point of the game when he and Hacker assisted Kaleb Betts for UNO's only even strength goal, and second even strength goal, of the game. It was the game winner at 3:10 of the session.

"I got it to Hacker and he muffined it on goal, and Betts knocked it in," Lefley said.

UNO improved to 4-0 overall and 2-0 in the CCHA. Western Michigan fell to 1-3 overall. The Mavericks travel to Michigan State next weekend for a pair of games.

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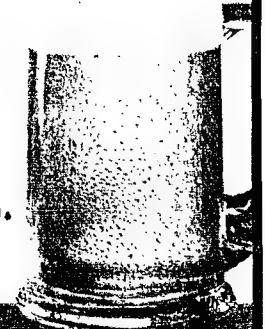
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Swimming and diving team opens 2004-2005 season with victory over South Dakota State

ANGIE PECK
SPORTS EDITOR

The Maverick swimming and diving team opened the 2004-2005 season with a win over NCAA Division I team South Dakota State on Saturday, taking first place in 14 out of 16 events at UNO's swimming pool in the Health, Physical Education, Recreation building.

Senior Veronica Barna, and juniors Courtney Petersen, Jamie Grogan and Ashley Renshaw each won two events leading the Mavericks to their 219-68 victory.

Barna won the 1,000-yard freestyle (11:10.06) and the 100-yard butterfly (1:04.15). Petersen placed first in 200-yard butterfly (2:15.02) and 500-yard freestyle (5:16.55). Grogan won both the one meter and three meter diving events. Renshaw was first in

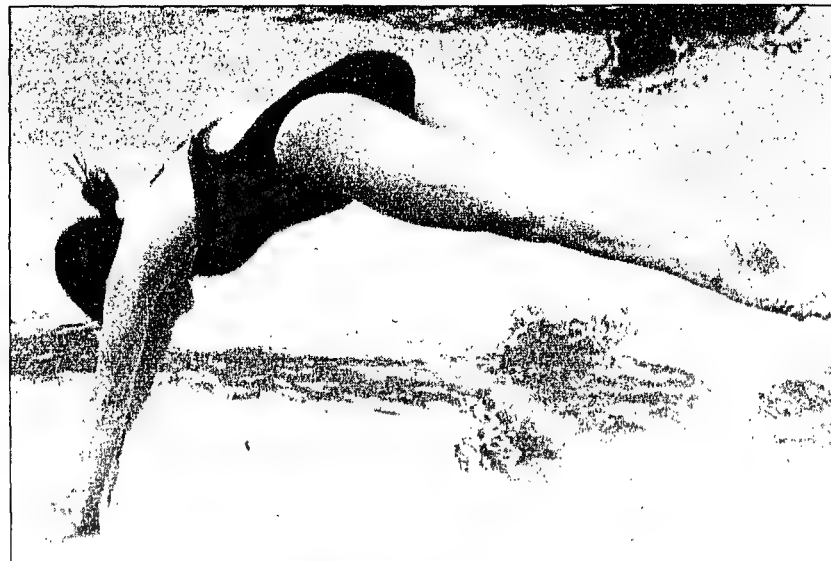
the 200-yard breaststroke (2:26.54) and 200-yard individual medley (2:15.13).

Head Coach Todd Samland was very excited about the team's finish Saturday. Adding to that excitement, two Mavericks qualified for nationals in the dual.

Grogan's score of 270.10 in one meter diving was an automatic qualifying mark for NCAA Division II Nationals. Joining Grogan with an automatic qualifying mark for nationals was senior Sarah Clark, who won the 50-yard freestyle in a national qualifying time of 24.10.

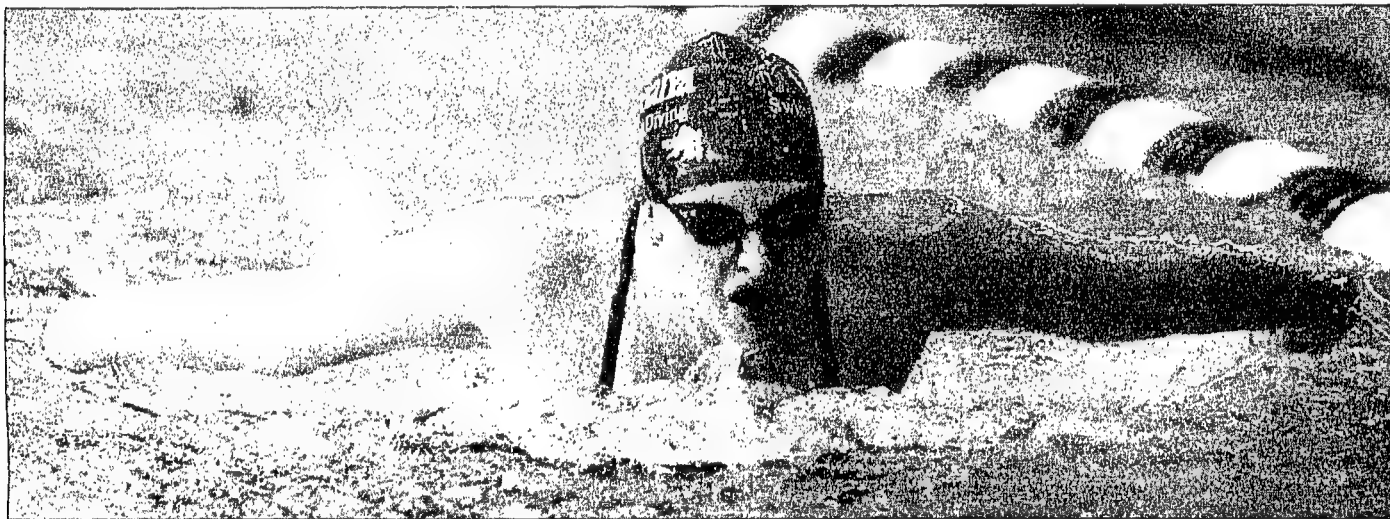
"There were a lot of really good swims today, and I am really proud of the finishes," said Samland. "The freshmen made lifetime best swims right off the bat."

The Mavericks are off next week, but will head to Kirksville, Mo. in two weeks to take part in the Truman State Invite on Nov. 5-6.



Top: Chrissy Grogan dives during the 1-meter diving event Saturday against South Dakota State.

Left: Ashley Barna competes in the 200 Butterfly Saturday against South Dakota State.



photos by Michelle Bishop

UNO football upsets No. 16 St. Cloud State during weekend play

ANGIE PECK
SPORTS EDITOR

Maverick football pulled off an upset on Saturday over No. 16 St. Cloud State and maintained their top spot in the North Central Conference with a 28-13 win in Saint Cloud, Minn.

The game remained scoreless but St. Cloud was able to drive down the field after exchanging turnovers with the Mavericks. Linebacker Randy Stella picked up a St. Cloud's Daniel Kaczor pass and returned it 17 yards to the Husky 16, but fumbled and the Huskies recovered, starting a scoring drive. The Huskies drove 84 yards in just five plays to take a 7-0 lead with 9:17 left in the second quarter.

With just 35 seconds left in the first half, Brian Masek tied the game with a five-yard pass to wide receiver Randy Hopkins.

UNO came out of the locker room ready to play, marching 72-yards down the field. Masek completed a 32-yard pass across the middle to wide receiver Chris Denney giving the Mavericks the 14-7 lead. Denney was playing just his third game of the year after being slowed by a hamstring injury during the Aug. 28 game against Nebraska-Kearney.

Ryan Mikluscak picked off Kaczor

on the four-yard line, saving the score and starting the Mavericks on another scoring drive.

UNO went 96 yards in just seven plays, aided by a 64-yard run by Day 51 seconds into the final quarter in which he wriggled out of trouble on a half-dozen occasions.

Day moved over the 1,000-yard mark early in the game and sealed the win. Day now has 1,237 yards for the season, the fourth most in school history. He picked up 252-yards Saturday, his second best and the third most in school history.

The Huskies tried to rally with a drive 50 yards midway through the final quarter, scoring on Kaczor's two-yard pass to Jason Koch, but missed the PAT kick, but it was all the Husky offense could produce.

The Mavs had 266 rushing yards and 382 yards in total offense as Masek completed 12 of 18 passes for 116 yards. Denney caught five passes for 80 yards.

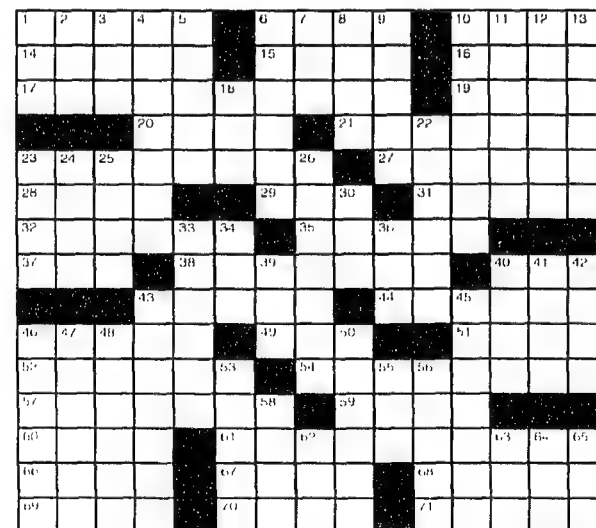
SCSU had 388 yards in total offense. Kaczor was 21-for-33 for 225 yards and three interceptions. Running back Matt Birkel carried 30 times for 154 yards.

No. 25 UNO is now 7-2 overall and 4-0 in the NCC and SCSU is 7-2 and 3-2. The Mavericks return home to host North Dakota on Saturday at Al Caniglia Field. Kickoff is at 1 p.m.

Crossword

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19 Adhesive
20 Sassy
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28 Beasts in yokes
29 Greek lotter
31 Reproduce
32 Blood part
35 In full hearing
37 Moray
38 Mark produced by pressure
40 Sch. grp.
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44 Companion
46 Scrub
49 Pinnacle
51 Hodgepodge
52 Eton rival
54 Omelet tidbit
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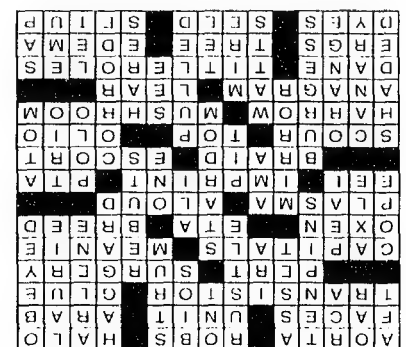
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6 Steal livestock
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UNO volleyball upsets Minnesota-Duluth, falls to No. 21 in weekend play, UMD handed first conference loss

ANGIE PECK
SPORTS EDITOR

After defeating No. 6 Minnesota-Duluth 3-1 (30-28, 24-30, 30-28, 30-27) on Friday, UNO fell to No. 21 Augustana 3-2 (26-30, 30-21, 30-13, 22-30, 15-11) Saturday.

On Friday, the Mavericks upset Minnesota-Duluth with five Mavericks recording double-figure kills. The Mavericks handed UMD their first conference loss, dropping the Bulldogs to 17-3 overall and 5-1 in the NCC.

Amy McLeay led the Mavericks with her double-double performance, picking up 22-kills and 21-digs. Two other players recorded 20-or more digs, including Julia McConahay with a team-high 22 and Chelsea Miller with 20.

Ashley Freeman (14), Jenny Rankin (10), Carlie Christensen (10) and Heather Hainline (10) joined McLeay with double-figure kills. The Mavericks recorded 74 kills in the match and out-hit Minnesota-Duluth, the league's top hitting team, 233 to 205.

The Mavericks dominated at the net defensively, recording a season-high 30 blocks, compared to just 13 for Minnesota Duluth.

Christie Johnson distributed a very balanced offense, finishing the match with 60 assists, nine digs, five blocks, and four kills.

Augustana returned a favor to UNO Saturday as they defeated the Mavericks 3-2, avenging a five-game loss from earlier in the season.

UNO played inconsistently, recording

negative hitting percentages in games two and three, while hitting just .040 in the deciding fifth game.

McLeay, who notched her team-leading 13th double-double on the season with 16 kills and 16 digs, lead the Mavericks. Johnson also recorded a double-double with 47 assists and 12 digs and Freeman added 11 kills and six blocks in the losing effort.

In the loss, Augustana (15-8, 5-4 NCC) had five players in double-figures for kills, including Abby McDonald (15), Kara Johnson (14), Andrea Oswald (11), Terrin Post (10) and Nicole Steffl (10).

UNO (14-7, 5-3 NCC) will return to action this Saturday, when they play host to the NCC leader South Dakota beginning at 6 p.m. in the Sapp Fieldhouse.

Women's Cross country earns fifth place at NCC

ANGIE PECK
SPORTS EDITOR

The women's cross country team finished the 2004 regular season with a fifth place finish at the North Central Conference Championships. Senior Molly Miller earned all-conference honors by placing ninth individually with a time of 23 minutes, 16 seconds. Kellie Ryan (15th), Tinissia Leguillow (28th), Sarah Zeisler (31st) and Kaylen Harris (32nd) were UNO's top five runners in the race.

The University of South Dakota won the meet, with a score of 39 points, followed by Augustana and North Dakota. Augustana's sophomore runners, Rachel Stangler and Sarah Hayes took first and second place, respectively. Stangler's time in the 6000-meter race was 22 minutes, 24 seconds, which helped Augustana to its highest finish ever in the NCC.

However, after strong finishes in the first three meets against many of the same opponents, the Mavs were hoping to have a shot at a NCC crown.

The Mavericks will regroup and head to the North Central Regional meet in Vermillion, S.D. on Nov. 6. To qualify for a team invitation to nationals, the team must finish in the top five in the region. For one of the women to qualify individually, they would have to either finish in the top five, or be one of the top two finishers of a non-qualifying team.

Molly Miller's all-conference honors put her on a short list of UNO harriers who have succeeded in the NCC. Michelle Ellingston earned all-conference in 2002 with a 10th place finish. In the last 20 years, UNO has had only three runners finish in the top five positions.

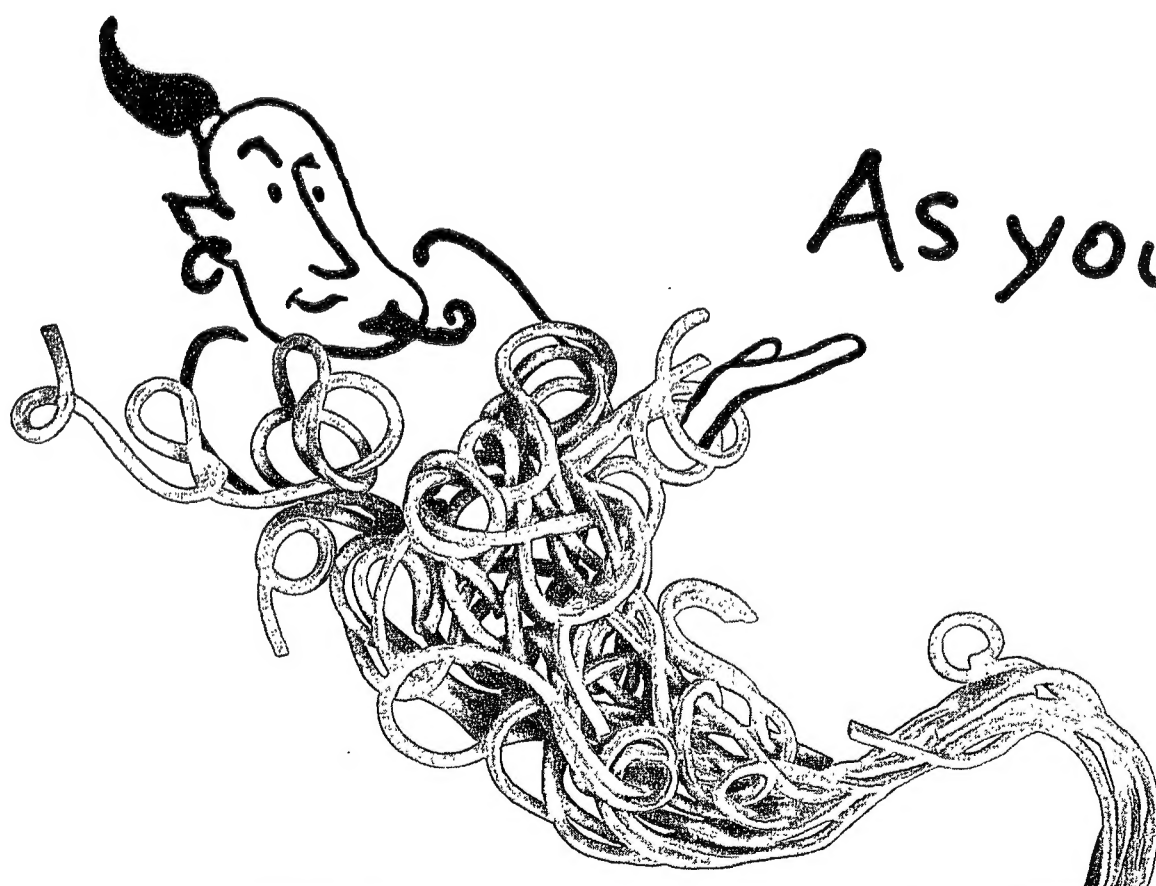
The Mavs head to Vermillion, S.D. next for the North Central Regional. The meet will be held at the Don Baker Cross Country Course, Nov. 6 at 12:15 p.m.

Soccer

Left: Molly Herzberg knocks down a pass as North Dakota's Chrissy Lapp closes in during the Mavericks last home game on Saturday.

Right: Becca Fritz steals the ball from North Dakota's Stephanie Pfeiffer during Saturday's game.

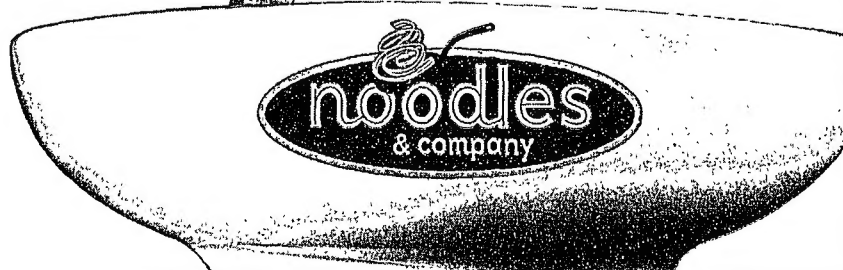
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A definition of student fees finally provided

After my column appeared in the Oct. 11 edition of *The Gateway* in regards to my confusion over student fees, I got a phone call from Wade Robinson, associate vice chancellor for Student Affairs.

It had taken no more than one day for someone to finally attempt to clear my confusion over the fees. He was more than willing to meet with me, so on Oct. 14 at 9 a.m., I went to his office to get a more accurate definition of the fees. This is me going to work for you, the students. (But I wanted to know, also.)

First of all, let me start with the fee that was giving me the most trouble, the Enrollment Services Fee. According to Robinson, the Enrollment Services Fee was previously charged on a per transaction basis, each time you wanted to drop or add a class or request a transcript. He said that made for a difficult situation when the fee went up. About seven years ago, this was a \$2 per transaction fee. But when the fee went up, students kept sending \$2 and it made for a hassle to try to get another dollar from them.

Robinson also pointed out that students utilize the service of sending transcripts for

employment, transfer to another school or their own records. (He encourages all of us to have a copy of our transcript.)

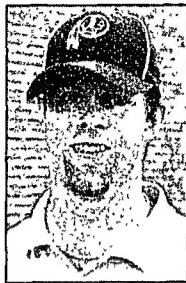
But let's get to it. What does this fee pay for? I was told that this fee goes to underwrite the salaries and benefits for those who send transcripts. It also covers the operating costs, and postage. Basically everything that goes into sending transcripts.

The fee also replaces some state-aided money the university no longer gets due to recent budget cuts. Without this fee, the service of sending transcripts would be gone.

Even more so, enrollment services fees pay for recruitment staffs that do outreach, visit community colleges and high schools, do actual recruitment and host open houses, campus tours and information sessions. (This is a more satisfying answer than just "It pays for sending transcripts.")

The \$6 per credit hour technology fee pays

The Weekly Rant



Andrew Crnic

for the general campus network infrastructure. Let me explain. Most of it, you don't see. Things like underground wiring, maintenance of connectivity and high speed Internet access are paid for with this fee. But it also supports the development and maintenance of high tech rooms on campus.

Individual lab fees are decided by the deans of each college. Only students who are enrolled in labs pay these fees which pay for things like

chemicals in a biology lab and paper in writing classes.

The student ID fee, Robinson said, provides the necessary money for the cost of doing business. He said the fee is charged to support and advance the system (using your ID as a debit card) and it could be a higher one-time fee or could be levied each semester among all students.

The Fund B UPF fee is probably the most diverse of all the fees, in that it pays money out

in many areas. This fee is distributed among different organizations and supports a variety of campus projects and groups. Robinson told me that a committee made up of students involved in Campus Recreation, Student Health, athletics, *The Gateway* and women's resources meet with him to decide where the money will go. This year the fee increased a little to pay for two new positions. With the implementation of the HIPAA (the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) requirements on record security, Student Health has created a position to deal with the procedures of the act. Campus Recreation also created a position on their staff for injury prevention.

"(We) really want to make sure that the fees benefit the students and those offices that the students utilize and get the services from," Robinson said.

Hopefully I've provided you with a little more insight into where your money is being spent.

Whether you feel any better about the fees or not, just remember this: In some way or another, you're putting your fees to work on a daily basis.

Introducing the al-Qaida/Iraq Link



For all my readers, I have somebody to introduce to you. This is Abu Musab al-Zarqawi. A Jordanian militant, he was in charge of training terrorist fighters in the Taliban-held Afghanistan. That is, until the United States-led Coalition began their incursion into the country shortly after September 11th, 2001. Participating in many skirmishes, Zarqawi fled the country and disappeared from our screens after suffering a broken leg. Then, about a year later, when the U.S. began their Iraq campaign, Zarqawi resurfaced as the head of a new terror group, headquartered in Iraq. And so far, during our year and a half in Iraq, he's personally beheaded about four American civilians, one South Korean civilian and one Great Britain civilian.

Now, with the personal history out of the way, perhaps I'd better explain why he is the link between Iraq and al-Qaida. A colleague of mine, Melanie Williams, misused the quote, "Either you are with us, or you are with the terrorists." To her, it was aimed at American troops questioning their service. Unfortunately, that quote was made during the Sept. 20, 2001 State of the Union speech Bush made at a joint session of Congress. It was directed towards other countries, saying that if you harbor and protect terrorists, you will be next. But how does this connect with Mr. Zarqawi here?

Let's explore the part of his recent history

when he dropped off of our scopes for a few months, you know, with the broken leg. Where, exactly, did he flee? Bill O'Reilly, columnist and radio/TV host, has already delved into this in an editorial published in the *Omaha World-Herald*, but since few people actually read his editorial, here's what he found out. Zarqawi fled to Iraq.

There, Saddam protected him, lowering his "heat" (Or, how much the U.S. wants to bring him to justice), patching his wounds, and even allowing him to set up his own group, Tawhid and Jihad. And then, we went into Iraq, killed Saddam's boys, captured the big enchilada himself, and have already constructed a theocratic government (A blend of religion and democracy).

You see, we had more than one reason for going into Iraq. Unfortunately, the mainstream media tend to focus on the reason that didn't actually work. I return back to the statement President Bush made nine days after September 11th. In this case, when Saddam Hussein protected Zarqawi from the media's eyes while he healed his broken leg, giving him the ability to set up his own terror group, he was guilty of harboring terrorists. Right about now, though, many are going to say that his group isn't part of al-Qaida. Well then, how do you explain Foxnews.com and CNN.com saying, and I quote from CNN.com, "Al-Zarqawi group claims allegiance to bin Laden" on Oct. 17? Or, was everybody busy doing other things on that fine Sunday? I'm pretty sure it's the latter.

So, to close, and hopefully put this to rest (not if my critics have anything to say about it), the United States did have a legitimate reason to go into Iraq, even if it wasn't in plain sight. Besides, they couldn't really see this coming, since, as I said before, he dropped off our radar screens. The CIA might have known, though, but they never tell us, anyway. That's as far as I'm concerned.

As Far As I'm Concerned



Matthew Lytle

Letter to the editor:

Dear Editor:

"No Vote Left Behind" by Melanie Williams in the Oct. 12 issue of *The Gateway*, makes several valid points in criticizing the respective roles of the media, the Electoral College system, the United States Supreme Court, and state election officials in the presidential elections. However, it draws a questionable conclusion on how to put one's convictions into practice in the voting booth.

After correctly noting that Nebraska is one of two states that does not have a winner-take-all electoral vote, Williams notes the Republican majority in the state. She later goes on to say "So we can truly vote our consciences, knowing that if we are not Republican, our vote probably won't affect the presidential election one way or another, anyway."

The vote of UNO students (Republican, Democrat, and others) could have a great effect upon the outcome of the presidential election. With the election hotly contested, and the Electoral College elector from Nebraska Congressional District II elected by an ever more diverse electorate, Nebraska

could split its vote for the first time since the districting system was established in 1996. (Maine has been doing it since 1972, and Colorado is considering it for 2004 in time to count for this election.)

This system is itself an attempt to answer some of the criticisms of the electoral system.

The sense that your vote won't affect the election is a dangerous idea. It can cause some voters to avoid voting at all, thereby failing to be heard on important local items. I've heard others speak of casting protest votes for candidates whom they would not support if they thought they had any chance of winning. This is not what is commonly meant when speaking of voting one's conscience.

The League of Women Voters sample ballots available at libraries are a good place to start in becoming an informed voter. And being an informed voter is perhaps the best antidote to the sense of futility that leads to not voting. I know students have heard it before, but please VOTE.

Professor Art Homer
Writer's Workshop

Stealing America without a fight

Who says coups have to be bloody?

There are fewer casualties when people simply hand over their independence willingly; it's true. But is this an act that serves the ideals upon which our nation was founded? Freedom and democracy, after all, do not protect themselves.

While we are busy looking outside our borders for dangers and giving paranoid glances to people with dark hair and brown eyes, we have grown a world-dominating mafia right inside our very own country—a most dangerous element that has no interest in spreading democracy to people anywhere, much less in Iraq.

We Americans are now living in a country owned by the Bush Family Dynasty; their business partners: the Saudi Royals (aka Osama bin Laden's family), and Fox "News" media mogul Rupert Murdoch. There are a few more, but they are all connected by common financial interests and their unified strategy to keep it that way.

During the last election, Bush & Co. used covert strategies to exploit our vulnerable election system, waging a major attack on our country's democracy.



Melanie Williams

So torn apart were Americans by this act that the inauguration motorcade was pelted with eggs and George W. Bush became the first president in modern history to remain in his car for the post-election parade.

It astounds me, as it should everyone, that in the most powerful country in the world, we have a sitting ruler who:

- Was arrested for drunk driving in 1976;
- Refused to answer twice whether he has used cocaine;
- Managed to avoid military combat during the Vietnam War and was grounded from flying aircraft for the National Guard;
- Failed in every business he ran;
- Barely speaks English (George Bush has trouble stringing two words together without using a malapropism, and repeats dearly rehearsed "one-liners," insulting the intelligence of the American people everyday);
- Had one of the lowest approval ratings of any president in his first year of office, prior to the tragedies of September 11, 2001. (After that, he invoked the word "terrorists" and his approval rating skyrocketed);



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MBSC Activities

Milo Bail Student Center



Tues., Oct. 26th

7 am Catholic Campus Ministry
8:30 am Criminal Justice Fair
11 am Omega Psi Phi
11:30 am Healthy Relationships
11:30 am Chancellor's Luncheon
12 noon Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance
12 noon Project Achieve Workshops
1 pm Project Achieve
3 pm Golden Key
3 pm Delta Epsilon Chi
5:30 pm Student Marketing Association
6 pm Alpha Xi Delta
6 pm ABC Dinner
7 pm Alpha Xi Delta
7:30 pm Greek Endeavor
8 pm Lambda Theta Nu

Wed., Oct. 27th

7 am Campus Crusade
8 am Traffic Appeals

10 am Aviation Institute
11 am Omega Psi Phi
11 am SPO Comedy
12 noon Project Achieve Workshops
12 noon ALAS
2 pm OPS Educational Group
2 pm OPS Counselor Meeting
2:30 pm SPSC
2:30 pm Faculty Senate ACA Committee
3 pm Jr. Panhellenic
4:30 pm Pan African Student Organizations
5:30 pm Project Achieve

Thurs., Oct. 28th

8 am Health Fair
10 am Consider This . . .
10 am Student Affairs
5:30 pm Batchelder Conference Dinner
6 pm Campus Crusade
6 pm Panhellenic Scholarship
6 pm Delta Sigma Pi
7 pm Campus Crusade

Fri., Oct. 29th

8 am Staff Advisory Council Blood Drive
9 am Panhellenic
12 noon Interfraternity Council
2 pm University Affairs/KFAB Tom Becka
6:30 pm Christ on Campus
6:30 pm Bahai Club

Sat., Oct. 30th

10 am Summer School Brunch
11 am Chancellor's Brunch
7 pm Phi Beta Sigma
9 pm Omega Psi Phi

Sun., Oct. 31st

2 pm Zeta Tau Alpha
2 pm AAO Halloween Party
3 pm Muslim Student Association
3 pm Sigma Kappa
4 pm Sigma Kappa
5 pm Lambda Chi Alpha

5 pm Pi Kappa Alpha
6 pm Student Gaming Organization
6 pm Sigma Lambda Beta

Mon., Nov. 1st

12 noon AA
12 noon Master Success
12 noon The Grove
12 noon African American Organization
2:30 pm Muslim Student Organization
3 pm Interviews
5 pm Chi Omega
7 pm ROSAS
7 pm David Osborne Book Discussion
8 pm Christian Student Fellowship
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8:30 pm Circle K

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- Spent 45 percent of his time on vacation prior to September 11, 2001;
- Disregarded repeated warnings by Counterterrorism advisor Richard Clark and the CIA regarding evidence that Osama bin Laden was planning on striking the United States with hijacked aircraft;
- Sat bewildered about what to do after learning that our country was under attack on September 11, 2001;
- Told Richard Clark (who was the non-partisan advisor for several presidents, including Ronald Reagan) to find a connection between the terrorist attacks and Iraq. Finding none, he chose to ignore all warnings and millions of outcries against the illegal and unjustified war;
- Misled the American people into a preemptive war that has cost us almost \$200 billion and over 1,000 American lives, not to mention tens of thousands of Iraqi civilian lives;

- Allowed the Iraqi museums to be looted of priceless antiquities while prioritizing the oil fields (hmmm...);

- Irresponsibly declared "Mission accomplished" and "Bring 'em on," proving he has no understanding for the true situation or respect for the dangers faced by American soldiers whose lives are being sacrificed for his oil war;

- Never assumed responsibility for his role as Commander-in-Chief in making grave errors in judgment;

- Fought against the formation of the 9/11 Commission looking into how the events took place;

- Chose to continue backing Donald Rumsfeld even after the horrific abuses of Abu Ghraib were made public and American lives were in even more danger from worldwide outrage;

- Gave no-bid contracts to corporate friends, violating the American system of competitive

bidding; and

- Belongs to the party that is currently accused of still more election fraud. According to the most recent reports, the Republican National Committee hired a firm (Arizona-based Sproul & Associates) that is under investigation for destroying Democratic voter registration cards and training their voter-registration employees to only sign up Republicans. Jeb Bush, George's brother, has done nothing to prevent the same situation as last election. It seems now that more than 22,000 African-Americans in Florida are again at risk of being denied their right to vote.

When will it end?

I admit I am fearful of a Bush Dynasty victory. I am in shock that, given what we know, Bush is not in jail, much less poised to steal the next election.

But let it be known that come Nov. 3, many of us will not be joyful or celebrating regardless of who takes the White House. While John Kerry may temporarily preserve a woman's right to control her

own body and fund life-saving stem-cell research, he will do little more to curb corporate corruption, put an end to the regressive "No Child Left Behind Act." He also will not vanquish the "USA PATRIOT Act," champion immigrant rights, or support the rights of gay couples to marry. Nor will he champion election reform in a way that makes possible democratic, third-party representation, because he belongs to a party that does not benefit from such a move.

My only comfort comes from the confidence that we will all get wise to this take-over by the privileged few of our country and begin organizing on our own behalf. We must soon realize that we have more in common with the working people of Iraq and Mexico, Afghanistan and North Korea, Cuba and the Sudan, than we do with Dick Cheney, King George the Lesser, or John Kerry.

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